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Mr. Will Kempton, Director
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Attention: Federal Resources Office, MS #82
For Ross A. Chittenden, Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: AMBAG 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 9

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of Amendment Number 9 to the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) portion of the 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated June 25, 2005. As detailed in the enclosure to your letter, this amendment modifies 25 previously listed projects and adds three new projects to the MTIP/FSTIP in the counties of Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz. The AMBAG Board of Directors endorsed this amendment to the FY 2004/05-2006/07 Monterey Bay Area Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) on June 8, 2005, by approving Resolution No. 2005-11.

We are approving this amendment to the 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP for the AMBAG region pursuant to the Federal statewide and metropolitan transportation planning regulations codified in 23 CFR Part 450, and in accord with the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*. We find that the AMBAG 2004/05-2006/07 MTIP, including Amendment No. 9, was developed through a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accord with the metropolitan transportation planning provisions of 23 USC §134 and 49 USC Chapter 53. This FSTIP Amendment approval is provided with the understanding that FTA funding approval on the individual projects contained in the FSTIP are subject to grantees meeting all necessary FTA administrative requirements.



If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval for the inclusion of AMBAG MTIP Amendment No. 9 into California's FSTIP, please contact Wade Hobbs of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5027, or by email at wade.hobbs@fhwa.dot.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Sue Kiser", written over a horizontal line.

For
Gene K. Fong
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration

/s/ Leslie T. Rogers

Leslie T. Rogers
Regional Administrator
Federal Transit Administration